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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

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For: SPREAD ILLUMINATING APPARATUS WITH TRANSPARENT SUBSTRATE

HAVING GROOVE PORTIONS OBLIQUELY ARRANGED AND INTERSECTING

EACH OTHER

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Director of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office Washington, D. C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to initial examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please change the following Claims:

Claim 3, line 1, change "1 or 2" to --1--

Claim 4, line 1, change "1 or 2" to --1--

Claim 5, line 1, change "1 or 2" to --1--

Claim 6, line 1, change "1 or 2" to --1--

Claim 7, line 1, change "1 or 2" to --1--

Claim 8, line 1, change "1 or 2" to --1--